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2012 NON-RESIDENT FIREARM DEER PERMIT APPLICATION

YOU CANNOT USE THIS APPLICATION TO APPLY FOR A MUZZLELOADER-ONLY PERMIT.

APPLICATION DATES

Applications received prior to a start date will be processed with mail received on that start date. If your application is received after the deadline, you will be entered automatically into the next application period.

SECOND LOTTERY – Non-residents may apply for permits where the quota has not been filled during Illinois' second lottery drawing. Applications must be received by June 30. Illinois residents will be given preference for permits allocated in the Second Lottery Drawing. A list of unfilled quotas will be announced approximately early June.

RANDOM DAILY DRAWINGS – Anyone may apply for any number of remaining permits issued from the first random daily drawing from applications received prior to and including August 14. Random daily drawings will be held up to September 10. A random daily drawing means all applications from one day are randomly processed before applications from the next day are randomly processed.

OVER THE COUNTER PERMIT SALES – Permits remaining after the Random Daily Drawings will be available over-the-counter from license vendors beginning October 16 on a first-come, first-served basis. Permits will be sold until quotas are exhausted or until the close of the firearm deer season, whichever occurs first. Persons may purchase one or more permits during this period, subject to availability.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Non-residents that apply for non-resident "property only hunting" firearm deer permits may apply in the second muzzleloader-only lottery. Non-residents ARE NOT ELIGIBLE for non-resident "property only hunting" permits after applying for/receiving non-resident firearm permits.

You must use a 2012 Department of Natural Resources NON-RESIDENT Firearm Deer Permit Application.

Applications will be **rejected, fees forfeited and permits revoked** if you receive or attempt to receive more than one Either-Sex and/or one bonus Antlerless-Only (Firearm) permit(s) before August 14. You CAN apply in both of the firearm and muzzleloader-only lotteries.

NO permit transfers are allowed and no refunds will be made unless your county, hunt area or permit type is not available.

The permit office is not open on weekends. Please call 217-782-7305 if you have a question or need an application. Department of Natural Resources information is available to the hearing impaired by calling DNR's TTY: 217-782-9175.

SEASON DATES

November 16, 17 & 18 (first season) and November 29, 30 and December 1, 2 (second season).

SPECIAL HUNT AREAS

Special hunts held on federal or state lands are regulated by the agency which manages the property. Some of these areas are included on the unfilled quota permit list. If you wish to apply for a permit to hunt one of these areas, enter the abbreviated name of the area on your application. Special Hunt area permits are not valid anywhere else in the county. County permits are not valid for the Special Hunt areas listed on the unfilled quota permit list.

FIREARMS

Legal Firearms: You may use either a shotgun, muzzleloader or a handgun with a firearm permit. Shotguns must be not larger than 10 nor smaller than 20 gauge (a rifled barrel is legal), not capable of firing more than three consecutive slugs (buckshot or birdshot is illegal). Minimum barrel length is 18 inches. Handguns are not legal for youth season.

A muzzleloading firearm is defined as a firearm that is incapable of being loaded from the breech end.

Muzzleloaders: a single or double barreled muzzleloading firearm of at least .45 caliber shooting a single projectile through a barrel of at least sixteen inches in length; must be percussion cap (a shotgun primer is a legal percussion cap), wheellock, matchlock or flint type ignitions only, except the Connecticut Valley Arms (CVA) electronic ignition shall be legal to use and only use black powder or a "black powder substitute" such as Pyrodex. Modern smokeless powders (nitrocellulose-based) are an approved blackpowder substitute only in muzzleloading firearms that are specifically designed for their use.

Handguns: The only legal handguns are centerfire revolvers or centerfire single-shot handguns of .30 caliber or larger with a minimum barrel length of 4 inches. It shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take white-tailed deer by the use of semi-automatic handguns, muzzleloading handguns, or handguns altered to allow for shoulder firing.

The only legal ammunition for a centerfire handgun is (1) a bottleneck centerfire cartridge of .30 caliber or larger with a case length not exceeding 1.4 inches, or (2) a straightwalled

centerfire cartridge of .30 caliber or larger, with no minimum case length; both of which must be available with the published ballistic tables of the manufacturer showing a capability of at least 500 foot pounds of energy at the muzzle.

Non-expanding military-style full metal jacket bullets cannot be used to harvest white-tailed deer; only soft point or expanding bullets (including copper/copper alloy rounds designed for hunting) are legal ammunition.

FEE

Either-Sex: \$300; Special Hunt Area Antlerless-Only: \$300; Bonus & random daily drawing Antlerless-Only: \$25. Each person, regardless of age, must enclose the appropriate fee payable to the Department of Natural Resources when applying for a permit. **DO NOT SEND CASH.** If your application is unsuccessful, you will be issued a refund check in approximately 6 weeks. Permits will be mailed as soon as possible.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Incomplete or incorrect applications will be **RETURNED**.

1 You must check ONE BOX ONLY to indicate which application period you are applying for. If your application is received after the deadline, you will be entered automatically into the next application period.

2 PERMIT TYPE(S) You must check one box only.

The Department always issues all full season permits first. When all full season permits have been issued, you will receive a refund **UNLESS** you check box 3 (second season option). If all second season permits have been issued, you will receive a refund.

If you check **Box A**, you will be processed for one Either-Sex permit.

If you check **Box B**, you will be processed for one Either-Sex permit and if successful, will then be processed in an additional drawing for one Bonus Antlerless-Only permit

Box C – These Antlerless-Only permits are issued only in random daily drawings and are available regardless of whether applicants already possess an either-sex permit. These counties do not have any Antlerless-Only permits available: Ford, Kankakee, Kendall and Pope.

3 SECOND SEASON OPTION – Check this box if you will accept a Second-Season Only permit if there are no remaining Full-Season permits. This box must be checked if you are applying for a second-season permit.

4 Enter your first choice of a county or special hunt area from the unfilled quota permit list.

5 Enter your second choice of a county or special hunt area (OPTIONAL).

6 Your social security number or DNR Direct customer number.

7 Your name and complete address.

8 Your date of birth (month, day, year)

9 The application must be signed by the individual whose name is on the application. PLEASE GIVE US A PHONE NUMBER where you may be reached on weekdays.

10 This section to be completed **ONLY** by those applicants who intend to hunt as a group and **ONLY** in the second Lottery. The Group Hunt procedure is **not available** after June 30. Up to six individuals may apply to hunt as a group. All individuals in the group must preselect a group leader and each application for the group must have sections 1, 3, 4, 5 and 10 filled out **identically**, indicating the same lottery, second season option, county or special hunt area choice, and same group leader's name and date of birth. Since Illinois residents are given preference for permits allocated in the Second Lottery Drawing, groups containing both resident and non-resident applicants will be treated as non-residents.

FIREARM OWNER'S I.D. CARD (Issued by Illinois State Police)

Regardless of who owns the gun, anyone who has a firearm or firearm ammunition in their possession must have in their possession a valid Firearm Owner's I.D. (F.O.I.D.) Card unless he or she is:

- a) A licensed out-of-state sportsman hunting in Illinois, or
- b) Under the age of 21 and under the immediate control of a parent, guardian, or responsible adult who has in their possession a valid F.O.I.D. Card.

(F.O.I.D. Card Information 217-782-7980)

